

INTRODUCTION

Though we do <u>not</u> recommend that you raise the subject, in the event that a question should arise on the narcotics problem during your breakfast meetings with the HPSCI and the SSCI, we suggest that you respond along the following lines:

- There has been a renewed major effort to significantly increase the support the Intelligence Community is providing to our Government's war on drugs.
- A number of major actions have already been taken including the
 appointment of an NIO on narcotics. The NIO has established a support
 group comprised of intelligence and drug law enforcement personnel to
 discuss issues and better focus the foreign intelligence to meet
 narcotics law enforcement and control requirements.
- A major Community study (conducted by the CIPC) is near completion.

 This study addresses all aspects of the problem and presents a longrange plan to marshall the intelligence resources into well
 coordinated and effective worldwide programs. For the first time, the
 Intelligence Community agencies are working closely with
 representatives of the drug law enforcement agencies to draw the two
 together as close as possible consistent with legal and security
 requirements.



- The Community study has also identified the additional resources that will be necessary to undertake these added responsibilities. We will be seeking new funding levels as required and look forward to your help in seeking Congressional approval.
- I am confident that this renewed involvement by the Intelligence

 Community will greatly enhance the efforts of our Government to rid

 this menace from our society.

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